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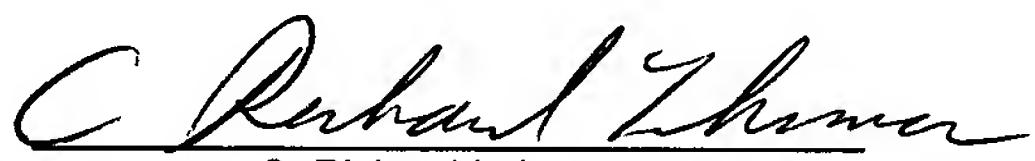
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### AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Honorable Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated August 10, 2006 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. Claims 1-12 are currently rejected. A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed along with a Petition for a two month extension of time.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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The **Current Status of the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

Two **Appendices** are attached following page 18 of this paper including:

**Appendix I** - amended drawing figures; and,

**Appendix II** – certified copy of priority document